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## LEGISLATIVE F.A.Q. SUMMARY

**Bill #** 2022-232  
**Filed by:** CM Matt Carlucci  
**Filing Date:** March 22, 2022  
**Co-Introducers:** N/A  
**Co-Sponsors:** N/A  
**OGC Undersigned:** Jason Teal  
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**Committees Assigned:** NCSPHS, Rules  
**Current Status:** Deferred

### Bill Intro:

A resolution stating the will of the Council to remove statuary and monuments glorifying the Confederacy from public property and public park spaces and requesting the Mayor, the City Administration, and the City Council to produce and present a revised plan and timeline for such removal with appropriations not to exceed \$500,000 for such removal; providing an effective date.

### What does this bill do?

- Aligns with Council's Strategic Plan (2021-0893)
- Aligns with Finance Committee's budget priorities for FY 22-23 (2022-127)
- Aligns with the Mayor's previously communicated commitment to removal
- Specifically addresses monuments on/in "public property and public park spaces"
- Specifically addresses monuments "glorifying the Confederacy"
- States the will of the Council concerning removal of monuments
- Voices the value of "the wellbeing, security, freedom, and equality of all Jacksonville citizens"
- Acknowledges Jim Crow context of monument installations
- Acknowledges Confederate monuments as "objects of divisiveness"
- Aligns with any "community conversation" strategy
- Emphasizes mutual accountability for Mayor/Administration and Council
- Allows Council to "assess the appropriateness of commemorative monuments and statuary located on public property and in public park spaces," both existing and future
- Requires action by July 26, for inclusion of funding in FY 22/23 budget
- Acknowledges potentially high costs of removal as a valid concern
- Provides a "\$500,000 cap in City dollars"

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- Permits both Council and the Administration to consider “alternative funding options” to offset costs
- Allows room for consideration of full or partial removal
- Allows for relocation to a “designated museum environment”
- Requires a new location to reflect a “concerted effort to recontextualize”
- Requires a new location to include “educational components concerning U.S. history”
- Excludes/protects cemeteries/burial grounds

### **What the bill does not do:**

- Condone destruction of any monuments or parts thereof
- Exclude the option of relocation
- Ignore the need for and value of public input
- Support and/or require a public referendum
- Require removal of a “surrounding structure”
- Require assessment of all historical monuments in Jacksonville
- Support removal of monuments installed prior to the Civil War
- Interfere with existing monuments/markers inside cemeteries
- Name any specific monument(s)
- Place the full financial burden of any removals upon the City budget
- Exclude acceptance of private, state, or federal funding
- Support the sale of monuments
- Support relocation to non-museum environments
- Support “renaming” or “remaining”

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